



## Donald Welsh

May 10, 1935 - September 13, 2021

Donald Mervyn Welsh born May 10th, 1935 at Toronto General Hospital, passed away peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Center on September 13th, 2021. He is lovingly survived and greatly missed by his wife of 58 years, Betty Ann (Kellett) and is the proud father of Paul (Lauren), Bryan (Cathy) and Collin (Julia). A loving grandfather of Niko, Harper, Ben, Luke, Samantha (Jason), Megan (Donny) and great-grandfather to Mariah, Briella, Emerson, Jeremiah, Kash, and Lincoln. He will also be greatly missed by many nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by his parents Verda (Short) and William Welsh and sisters Fern, Dorothy, and Ruby and survived by sister Marge.

Don grew up on a farm near Exeter, Ontario and never lost his love of farm life. He began his Bell Canada career at a very young age and later became a Right of Way Manager, retiring after nearly 40 years of service. His love of church choirs kept him involved and connected to the community, including Bethel United Church in rural Omemee where he lived for more than 30 years.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Ashburnham Funeral Home, 840 Armour Road on Saturday December 4, 2021 at 1pm. Proof of Covid vaccination required for entry into funeral home. Inurnment at Little Lake Cemetery.

If you wish to contribute in Don's memory, charitable donations for Bethel

United Church can be made through [CommunityAlternative.ca](http://CommunityAlternative.ca) and are most appreciated.

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ So sorry to hear about Don. He was a great man to work with and he always seemed to enjoy his job. We always enjoyed our coffee breaks talking about family and all of the latest issues. Dennis Medley

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**Dennis Medley** - September 15, 2021 at 05:02 PM

TC

“ Dear Betty and families. Don and I will miss Don and have many fond memories of adventures with all of your family. Lots of hugs. Don and ThelmaKay Cross

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**ThelmaKay Cross** - September 15, 2021 at 01:48 PM

DT

“ Dear Betty Ann, to you and your sons and their families, our heartfelt condolences. Debbie & Frank Thiele

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**Debbie Thiele** - September 15, 2021 at 12:43 PM

JS

“ Lovingly to Betty Ann and your family It is hard to express the sadness and shock we feel of Don's passing. He was such a prominent part of our faith community. So appreciated in the choir and always there working on special events. We will miss him so much. John and Judy Saunders

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**Judy saunders** - September 15, 2021 at 10:36 AM

GR

“ Dear Betty Ann, your dear boys and their families, It\u2019s hard to express in words how sorry we are to hear of Don\u2019s passing. Don was someone who was always there, he was a wonderful friend always enjoyed breakfast at Jessie\u2019s as was our Sunday ritual after church. I will miss him singing in choir behind me, He did so many little things around Bethel church that nobody knew about, they just got done. He will be forever missed by us all. You have been in our thoughts constantly. Our love to you, Gord and Mary

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**Gord and Mary Read** - September 14, 2021 at 04:40 PM

EH

“ Dear Betty Ann, Paul, Brian & Colin and families. We send our heartfelt sympathy to you for the death of Don, our dear friend and neighbor. We are left with many happy memories of good times with Don - solving our worldly problems and enjoying many good laughs. Don was my buddy (boyfriend ) as Betty Ann would say), he was my chauffer, always saying - "I'll pick you up", when we both had choir or a Church Board meeting. Little did we know, when we enjoyed a recent breakfast together, it would be our last time with him. Rest In Peace, Don. Betty Ann we send our love to you. Ethel & Bill

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**Ethel & Bill Hawman** - September 14, 2021 at 11:42 AM